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policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 93 08:35:26 CDT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!usc!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!
menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Codeless Technician
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

hbe@red-eft.la.CA.US (Harris Boldt Edelman) writes:

> A Petition for Rulemaking may request that existing rules be rescinded.

You mean, abolish Part 97 as we now know it? No licensing, no rules,
no enforcement, no fun. Sounds to me like Citizens Band.

--Robert

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 93 08:48:12 CDT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!usc!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!
menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Codeless Technician
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

robert@amanda.jpunix.com (robert) writes:

> Please, stop whining. It's not the fault of the FCC that a
> significant number of amateurs (and wanna-be amateurs) can't acquire
> (or increase) their Morse skills. In fact, one even referred to it as
> "Morris." What a sad commentary on the educational ability of the
> Codeless Technician.
>
> --Robert

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 93 08:24:25 CDT
From: elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!
robert@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Codeless Technician
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cronin@en.ecn.purdue.edu (Fester the Penguin) writes:

> Amazing. I haven't even taken the test for the no-code license, and
> already people are forming opinions on my 'educational ability', when
> they have never met me, talked to me, or even heard about me! Truly,
> Robert must be psychic.
>
> Tom C.
> --
> *** OREGON CITIZENS ALLIANCE is an anagram for ELECT NICE NAZI LIAR GOONS ***

Must be. Heil, Tom.

--Robert

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 93 08:31:14 CDT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!usc!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!
menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
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popovich@cs.columbia.edu (Steve Popovich) writes:

> And as far as Morris is concerned, that's simply a joke mutation of
> Morse that some people tend to use on the net. It stopped being funny

I doubt that. I think the "reflection of intelligence" is more to the point, and until this problem is rectified, do you really think reducing the level of difficulty of amateur testing is in order?

--Robert

Date: Mon, 6 Sep 1993 16:26:56 GMT
From: pa.dec.com!nntpd2.cxo.dec.com!forsan.enet.dec.com!frenchs@decwrl.dec.com
Subject: MARS ops who are not hams?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Re:

; This is NOT a hobby, the quicker you learn that, the more you will know
; about the SERVICE you have joined. In NOT ONE PLACE, does it say the
; Amateur Radio Hobby is (blah, blah, blah).

Yes it is a hobby. Quote from the front of the RSGB joining information pack;
"Amateur Radio The hobby of the space age". Inside Radio Communication (the magazine of the RSGB) it says; "Membership is open to all those with an active interest in radio experimentation and communication as a hobby." I expect that if you look at the ARRL membership details/magazine you will find a similar message.

; The spectrum is allotted to the Amateur Radio Service, and the faster
; you learn that we are supposed to HELP the general population, the
; easier it will be to understand where the rules come from.

In the UK the emergency services, fire, police etc can instruct you to pass a message. ONLY these services can do this. We, and I expect the same applies in the US, are not supposed to help the general population, at least not directly. This is classified as third party messages.

Simon

G6ZTZ

Date: 7 Sep 93 08:05:02 GMT

From: gatech!howland.reston.ans.net!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!moe.ksu.ksu.edu!
matt.ksu.ksu.edu!news@RUTGERS.EDU
Subject: New part 97.113 ?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

QST says the new FCC rules part 97.113 were published in the federal register, but who really reads the federal register? :-) So, my questions are:

When does the new FCC Part 97.113 rules go into effect?

Where on the net is there a copy of the entire Part 97, including the new part 97.113? info@arrl.org does not have one. :-(

-Steve Schallehn KB0AGD
Kansas State University

Date: 6 Sep 1993 16:30:14 -0500
From: usc!wupost!csrcn1.unl.edu!moe.ksu.ksu.edu!matt.ksu.ksu.edu!
news@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: No-Code-Tech License
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Hello...I know this is a long argued subject on the net, but I just want to relate my experiences as a licensed No_Coder.

First of all, I think the No-Code license has been a great asset to the amateur radio hobby. I had been interested in amateur radio since I was a kid, but never could get a license because I had trouble learning the code. Last summer I learned of the new No-Code license, started studying in March, and easily passed elements 2 and 3a at the end of May. I recently received my ticket, and look forward to operating. I DO intend to learn Morse (or Morris, whichever you prefer) code...in fact, I have been studying morse over the last month. I agree with the code requirements to get the higher class licenses, but I also agree with the introduction of the No-Code license. It allows more people to become involved with Amateur radio, allows for the younger people (I am only 21) to get licenses. My only complaint is that the No-Code Tech license should include some HF Phone privldges...with the current No-Code privldges, there is no way for a No-Code Tech licensee to get DX contacts, except during certain atmospheric disturbances. Why not give the No-Code licensees phone privldges on one of the HF bands??? It wouldn't hurt the HF frequencys at all, and would enable the No-Code Tech to experience the fun of DX contacts.

Well, I believe I've said my piece on this subject for now. Please send flames to me via E-mail....don't waste the bandwidth.

Jeremy L. Utley	I didn't do it, nobody saw me
cbr600@ksuvm (Bitnet)	do it, You can't prove any-
cbr600@matt.ksu.ksu.edu (Internet)	thing. - Bart Simpson
N0YAX (Ham Radio)	

Date: Sun, 05 Sep 93 06:44:15 -0400
 From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!emory!dragon!nj8j!
 ben@network.ucsd.edu
 Subject: Noisy ARRL VEC's
 To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

pineapp@netcom.com (Dan Curry) writes:

> I would like to know why ARRL VEC's are noisy during the license
 > exams? I have attended two differant sessions located in Cupertino,
 > California, Tandom Computer cafeteria. During these seesion the
 > volenteers are chatting away. It is as those they think this is
 > a coffee house.

Not all ARRL VE exams are noisy. I am an ARRL VE, and have participated
 in a number of exam sessions sponsored by the MARA VE Team in Fairmont,
 WV. Once the code tests are over, the room is normally so quiet that you
 have to be careful checking exams, handling paperwork, etc, as a bit of
 paper rustling stands out markedly.

Please don't judge all ARRL VE teams by this one group - I don't believe
 they are representative of all ARRL VE teams.

Ben

Ben Coleman NJ8J	"All that is not eternal is
AX.25: NJ8J@W4Q0.#EAL.#ATL.GA.USA.NA	eternally irrelevant."
Internet: ben@nj8j.atl.ga.us	C. S. Lewis

Date: Mon, 6 Sep 1993 12:09:15 GMT
 From: news.uiowa.edu!icaen.uiowa.edu!drenze@uunet.uu.net
 Subject: Noisy ARRL VEC's
 To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

ttolh@shell.portal.com (Todd Tolhurst) writes:

>In article <pineappCCuH49.2pu@netcom.com> pineapp@netcom.com (Dan Curry) writes:

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>>California, Tandom Computer cafeteria. During these seesion the
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>>a coffee house.

>> The other NON-ARRL VEC's (Sunnyvale , Redwood City, and San Carlo,
>>California) make it a point that there will be no talking from non
>>exams takers.

> Sounds like you have one or more VE teams that are a bit
>inconsiderate. I've been a candidate at numerous ARRL VEC-sponsored
>exams, and I've served as a VE at many more ARRL-VEC sponsored
>sessions. At all of these sessions, the examiners have been careful
>to prevent anuy sort of disturbance which would distract the
>candidates, most especially during the code tests.

> Next time, why don't you ask the noisy examiners to pipe down?

Hmm. Well, I've only had one VEC experience, but it was the same here in Iowa when I earned my license. During the code tests, they were absolutely silent and stressed that any noise from people taking the written portions of the exam at that time could invalidate the whole code test. On the other hand, while the code tests weren't running, I may as well have taken the test down in the main hamfest area, there was so much chatter, chair-scraping whispering, etc.

Peace es 73 de Doug NOY??
03W 00D 18H 10M and counting...

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__  /|  | Douglas J Renze          | Charter Member, Popular Front
\'o.O'  | +1 319 337 4664          | for Revolutionary Darwinism:
=(___)= | drenze@isca.uiowa.edu    |
  U     | Douglas-Renze@uiowa.edu  | Evolution Now!
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Date: 6 Sep 1993 09:28:15 -0400
From: swrinde!gatech!udel!news!clarknet.clark.net!clarknet.clark.net!
postmaster@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Noisy ARRL VEC's
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

I just took my element 2 and 3A exams (aced them by the way :-) and was

not bothered by the paper ruffling. etc. BUT the code exams started out in parallel with the written exams (via a boombox). It didn't bother me too much but I would recommend, along with the calculator, pencils, etc. you take some ear plugs along just in case.

The moral... just solve your own problems rather than moan.. :-)

John A. Evans, Capt, USAF
VHDL/EDA Engineer

"My number one goal as a
runner is to live long enough
to place in my age group!!!"

HAM Callsign under construction x3xxx
(No-code Technician Test completed 5 Sep 93 - code to follow)

jaevans@clark.net

Linux - the OS of choice !!

Once data encryption is outlawed, only outlaws will have data encryption !!!

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 1993 12:55:38 EST
From: news2.uunet.ca!xenitec!lemsys!ve3faq!smc@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Possession & Illegal Confiscation of Amateur Radios?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

A few weeks ago, I received my registration package for the upcoming school year, and I noticed a new "rule" on the student conduct sheet. The new rule pertained to communication devices. All cellular telephones, pagers, _and two way radio devices_ were banned from being anywhere on school property, for any reason whatsoever. How can they legally stipulate this? I can understand how they would be upset if you took your cell phone or two way radio into class and operated. BUT, do they have any legal grounds to confiscate the equipment and threaten expulsion just because you possess a piece of equipment while being on the property? It was my understanding that the only people who can regulate my operation are the Department of Communications Canada. It is also my understanding that the only people who can confiscate my equipment are Communications Canada, law enforcement agencies, and the Queen.

How should I go about dealing with this? Do I have to obey such a rule? Should I telephone the Department of Communications and have them inform the school that I am an Amateur Radio Operator, and there is nothing illegal about me possessing a two-way radio wherever I please?

I speculate the reasons for such rules are purely image. The school seems to associate communications equipment with drug dealers. While in some cases this is a true assumption, there are many cases in which this is not.

We are entering an era of communications technology, and I feel that our Canadian schools are preventing people from developing their technical skills by not encouraging them to pursue hobbies in electronics and amateur radio. Instead of banning these devices, maybe they should look at sponsoring an amateur radio club or communications club so people can learn their real-world uses rather than simply speculating what they could be used for. Drug dealers drive cars... maybe we should get rid of the parking lots too. :)

Scott

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73, de Scott W. McIntyre VE3 FAQ : smc@ve3faq.uucp +1(519)571-7405
"Happy, Happy! Joy! Joy!" -- Stimpson J. Cat (A.K.A. Stimp)
Green the World! Think Globally, Act Locally.

Date: Mon, 06 Sep 93 19:23:51 EDT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!nigel.msen.com!ilium!
sycom!p-cove!wolfman@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: RIFF RAFF
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

abracet@dg-webo.webo.dg.com (Al Brackett--FABracet0 OPS--232-7620--DGC) writes:

> In article <265p3e\$i80@ornews.intel.com> zardoz@ornews.intel.com (Jim Garver)
> >
> >When all the RiffRaff are gone from ham radio, who will be left?
> >--
> Me and you, but I'm starting to wonder about you..;-<)
> 73-al
>

What do you consider Riff-raff? I just got my license a few weeks ago, and I haven't got the gear to get on the air yet, so i don't know what kind of peopleI expect to meet...

Aaron Smith KB8PFZ

Email: sycom.mi.org!p-cove!wolfman
or: wolfman@p-cove.uucp (If the map has been processed yet..)

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Home of the Swashbuckler's!
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Date: 6 Sep 1993 16:57:03 GMT
From: topaz.bds.com!topaz.bds.com!ron@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Son of PRB-1?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

This has been going on for sometime with respect to sattelite. When we put our dish in the intaller had a whole file on this stuff when he went down for the building permit.

-Ron

Date: 6 Sep 1993 16:55:36 GMT
From: topaz.bds.com!topaz.bds.com!ron@uunet.uu.net
Subject: TVI Inteference Poll
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

I 'm about to pass out another 50 notices since now that I have my Advanced I'm on HF a lot more.

Boy you are a glutton for punishment. However, I'm not saying you're doing the wrong thing. We had an interesting problem with our neighbor. They didn't like our cats and I'd expect the HOA exceptions for our antennas. Never anything really hostile, just a lot of grumbling. They evidently had a daughter in Costa Rica during a recent earthquake. Another neighbor (a ham with no HF stuff) suggested they might try us and see if we could find out via HF. Margy checked into one of the H&W nets and found everything was OK and we've not heard anything unpleasant from these people ever since.

-Ron

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